



FOOD FOR PEACE FACT SHEET

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Food Security Situation*

- Mauritania is one of the world's least developed countries as well as a food-deficit country. Some 25 percent of children under age 5 are chronically malnourished, while nearly 70 percent of rural Mauritians live in poverty, leaving them particularly vulnerable to food insecurity.

- Despite pockets of moderate food insecurity (in the central reaches of the Senegal River Valley and northern agropastoral areas), food security conditions in most parts of the country are in line with normal seasonal trends.

- Milk production, the gathering of wild plant foods, and harvests of early grain crops have improved food availability for most poor households in rural areas of the country.

- According to FEWS NET, rises in international market prices for wheat, barley, etc. will not have a major effect on rural markets during the harvest season between October 2010 and March 2011.



Map: CIA World Factbook

Total Food for Peace Contributions

Fiscal Year 2011(planned)	\$5.0 million	7,810 MT
Fiscal Year 2010	\$5.0 million	7,820 MT
Fiscal Year 2009	\$5.0 million	7,140 MT
Fiscal Year 2008	\$16.5 million	19,230 MT
Fiscal Year 2007	\$7.4 million	14,400 MT

Food for Peace Contribution Breakdown

Partners	FY11		FY10	
	Development (planned)		Development	
	USD in millions	metric tons	USD in millions	metric tons
PVOs*	\$5.0	7,810	\$5.0	7,820

Food for Peace Program Details

Awardee: Counterpart International (CPI); World Food Program (WFP) (in FY 2008)

Targeted Beneficiaries: **CPI:** 46,800 food-insecure Mauritians
WFP: 675,000 small farmers and pastoralists; Mauritanian returnees from Senegal; people living with HIV/AIDS; children under 5; pregnant and lactating women

Current Projects: Health and nutrition; community mobilization (infrastructure development and income-generating activities); livelihood capacity development

Project Locations: **CPI:** Gorgol; Guidimakha; Hodh el Gharby; Assaba;
WFP: Hodh el Chargui; Brakna; Dakhlet-Nouadhibou; Inchiri; Nouakchott's peri-urban areas; Tagant; Trarza Adrar

* FY: fiscal year; MT: metric tons; PVO: private voluntary organization; USD: United States Dollar; WFP: World Food Program

*Food Security Situation information is provided by WFP and the Famine Early Warning Systems (www.fews.net) as of December 2010